

*Original Petition*  
**To the Honourable the House of COMMONS assembled in PARLIAMENT**

*The humble Petition of Collonel Miles Man, Lient. Collonel Michael Richardson and Captain Thomas Reynolds; in behalf of themselves and the rest of the Officers and Soldiers of His Majesties Forces in Scotland, lately under the Command of Major General Sir Thomas Morgan.*

SHEWETH,



That at the time of Disbanding and Paying the Armies in England and Scotland, about the Moneths of *October* and *November*, in the Year 1660. His Majestie was pleased to take into His Pay Three Regiments of Foot and one Troop of Horse, with a Train, for the keeping severall Forts in *Scotland*; and although all the rest of the Forces there had their Arrears paid, yet the Commissioners refused to pay the said Regiments, and Troop, grounding their pretences on so doing upon the 5<sup>th</sup> Article of the Act of Parliament for Disbanding the Army and Garrisons; wherein it is expressed in these words, (*viz.*) *That if His Majesty shall think fit to continue in Scotland three Regiments of Foot, and one Troop of Horse of the English Forces there, they are not to be Paid and Maintained at the Charge of this Kingdome*; whereby (as your Petitioners humbly conceive) it was not intended they should be depriv'd of their Arrears, but that that Article did respect a time to come, and not a time past.

That in May 1662. His Majesty was pleas'd to appoint Two of the said Regiments, and the Troop, to go for *Portugall*, and did Disband the other, which was under the Command of Collonel *Man*, with assurance that their Arrears should be stated, and paid in due and convenient time; to which, as in duty bound, they did with all cheerfulness submit, and hope they have so behav'd themselves in that Expedition, as not to forfeit His Majesties good opinion of them.

That shortly after the said time Col. *Man* with the Officers of his Regiment were order'd to repair to *London* with all the Muster-Rolls, to have the Arrears due to them stated, which was accordingly done by his Grace the Duke of *Albemarle's* direction; and there did appear to be due to them about Seventeen thousand pounds for that Arrear, which should have been paid by the Commissioners, and also the Summe of Forty one thousand pounds since His Majesties Restauration.

That your Petitioners were of that part of the Army that freely joyn'd with his Excellency the Lord General to restore us to the happiness of His Majesties Government, and part of them March'd into *England* with him; and did all subscribe a Declaration to acquiesce in whatever the last Parliament should do in order thereunto; whereby opportunity was given so to reform the rest of the Forces, that all Disaffected persons were removed from the Armies that might in any way impede that blessed and prosperous Undertaking: And they therefore hope they shall not be made worse than the rest of the Soldiers who receiv'd all their full Arrears.

*And do therefore humbly pray, That you will mediate with the Kings Majesty on the behalf of your Petitioners; That He will be graciously pleas'd to passe an Act for the Payment of their said Arrears; and that you will be pleas'd to prepare an Act accordingly, to be presented to Him for that end.*

*And your Petitioners shall ever pray, &c.*